(b) and (c) There is no written examination for employment to unskilled categories and for the first level of officer, the candidates for out of turn appointment have to pass a written test and interview. Zonewise breakup of the dependents who took the written test is not available.

(d) Eight graduates have been given employment after being qualified in the written test as on 31-3-92.

SC/ST Air hostesses debarred from serving in 1st class

67. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air hostesses belonging to SC/ST communities are debarred from serving on board in Air India's flights in first class;

(b) whether Government are aware that Air hostesses belonging to ST community of Eastern Region, particularly from Assam, Nagaland, Meghalaya, Tripura etc. are debarred from serving on board in Air India's flights in 1st class;

(c) if so, whether Government propose to withdraw such discriminatory administrative instructions; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) There is no discrimination in the matter of assignment of air hostesses in Air India flights in first class. Dy. Chief Air Hostesses/Sr. Check Air Hostesses are assigned to work in the first/club class. In their absence, air hostesses are assigned on the basis of seniority and rotation.

Pending industrial disputes against Air India

68. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Industrial disputes which are pending as on date before the Labour Commissioners against Air India; and

(b) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) The details of industrial disputes pending before Labour Commissioners against Air India are given in the attached statement.

Statement

Industrial Disputes Pending before ALC (C) /RLC (C)

Sl. No.	Name of the case	Nature of the Litigation
1	2	3
1	Mr. A.C. Gote V/s. Air India (Nagpur) (Casual Labourer)	Absorption in Air India.
2	Mrs. R. Sule, Sr. D.A. V/s. Air India .	Supersession
3	AIEG V/s. Air India (T.K. Sarkar) (Calcutta)	Absorption in Air India
4	S.M. Singh V/s. Air India (Casual Labourers)	Absorption of Casual Labourers
5	K. Ramkrishnan V/s. Air India (Madras) .	Compulsory rotation of employees
6	Strike Notice dt. 14-11-91 by ACEU (Central)	10 Points demands